




MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

THRU: Christopher Shorter, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Kimberly McNeeley, CPRP, Director
Austin Parks and Recreation Department 

DATE: August 6, 2020

SUBJECT: Ordinance 20191205-070 – Expedition School Boating Concession on Lady Bird Lake

Since the March 17, 2020 update memo, the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) has continued working closely with The Expedition School representatives to develop a proposal that will serve as an essential component of a resulting concession contract. The Expedition School has completed its preliminary proposal and provided it to PARC staff who have requested further clarification on elements of the proposal as it relates to a long-term concession contract.

A permit request has been submitted for review via the standard Development Services Department (DSD) permit process to allow for temporary structures associated with a PARC temporary concession permit. This proposal has not been approved to date; however, upon receipt of feedback from DSD, PARC will work to expeditiously coordinate any required adjustments and issue a temporary concession contract.

It is PARC's intent to issue a temporary concession contract while finalizing a longer-term contractual relationship with The Expedition School. A new deadline of December 31, 2020 for execution of the temporary concession contract will provide The Expedition School and PARC staff the necessary time to complete the initial process.

Should you have any questions, please contact my office at (512) 974-6717.

cc: Spencer Cronk, City Manager